THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) All India Institute of Medical Sciences is a premier Institute which has been carrying out research on topics of national importance since its inception. The institute faculty published various research papers in reputed indexed journals and there are 371 national and international research projects running during the year 2002-2003. The research areas include basic biology, epidemiology, clinical and applied sciences. Various research activities of national importance include works in the field of malaria, leprosy, tuberculosis, endocrinological disorders, cataract and childhood diarrhoea, etc.

Opening of CGHS dispensary in Pushpanjali and West Pitampura

4538. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no CGHS dispensary for more than 3000 CGHS beneficiaries residing in Pushpanjali and West Pitampura; and

(b) if so, by when a CGHS dispensary is likely to be opened in that area as a welfare measure for retired/senior CGHS beneficiaries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) Yes, Sir. For availing dispensary facilities, the CGHS beneficiaries residing in Pushpanjali and West Pitampura are attached with the CGHS dispensary Shakurbasti located at a distance of about 3 to 4 kms.

(b) Due to constraints of resources and manpower, there is no proposal at present to open a new CGHS dispensary in the above mentioned areas.

Health schemes under PMGY in Andhra Pradesh

4539. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the amount of additional Central assistance provided to various States including Andhra Pradesh for funding various health schemes under PMGY by Planning Commission during the years 2000-2001 and 2001-2002;

(b) the details of utilisation of funds by various State Governments, health scheme-wise;

(c) the guidelines for utilisation of PMGY funds for procurement of drugs and medical equipments;